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Date: 7/21/71

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (92-NEW) (P)

UNSUBS;
~~CUTTING OF TELEPHONE CABLES LEASED~~
~~BY U. S. POST OFFICE,~~~~SELECTIVE SERVICE,~~ SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD
~~RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI;~~
~~SENATOR JAMES O. EASTLAND,~~
~~DODDSVILLE AND RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI~~
~~AR; INTERFERENCE WITH GOVERNMENT~~
~~COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (IGCS)~~

On 7/20/71 [redacted] State Security Officer, South Central Bell Telephone Company, Jackson, Miss., advised that as a result of the Communication Workers of America (CWA) strike involving employees of the South Central Bell Telephone Company, Jackson, Miss., there have been 28 instances of sabotage performed against the telephone company throughout Mississippi from 7/14/71 to 7/16/71.

[redacted] advised that of these 28 instances there were only six agencies of the U. S. Government involved in having their telephone lines damaged or cut, these being the Social Security Office at Hattiesburg, Miss.; the FAA at the Madison County Airport, Madison Co., Miss.; the U. S. Post Office and Selective Service as well as the office of Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND in Ruleville, Miss., and the residence of Senator EASTLAND in Doddsville, Miss.

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Special Agent in Charge

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incident occurred approximately 11:30 p.m., on July 15, 1971.
[redacted] advised that he knows of no one by the name of
[redacted]

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On July 29, 1971, [redacted]
SCBTC, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that the United States
Government leased lines on cable 1 were cut in three different
places approximately five feet to six feet from the ground.
He stated that it appeared that an ax or some sharp instru-
ment was used in severing the cable. [redacted] stated that
this incident occurred at the intersection of Shaw Delmar
and Harrison Streets in Ruleville, Mississippi, and that this
is the only incident involving United States Government leased
lines.

On July 29, 1971, [redacted]
SCBTC, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that investigation
conducted by him indicated that the telephone cables in
Ruleville, Mississippi, appeared to have been cut approximately
11:30 p.m., July 15, 1971. His inspection in Ruleville at
approximately 9:00 a.m., July 16, 1971, disclosed numerous
cutting of telephone cables. [redacted] stated that these cuttings,
primarily because of their location, would have to have been
cut by someone who knew what he was doing. [redacted] advised that
in his opinion, [redacted] would be prime suspects
because both are cable repairmen who are assigned job duties
in Ruleville, Mississippi, and both possess requisite know-
ledge. [redacted] advised that [redacted] who is an installation
repairman working in Ruleville everyday, and [redacted]
who is a telephone repairman, with knowledge of Ruleville,
Mississippi, cables and is further at the center of each
management, versus Craft dispute are both considered by him
to be prime suspects inasmuch as they too possess

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the requisite knowledge. [] advised that the telephone company vehicles were accounted for on July 15 and July 16, 1971.

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On July 30, 1971, Charles Mosley, Chief of Police, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that the SCBTC officials requested that the Bell Telephone Agents would conduct the investigation of the cable cutting. He stated that the officials requested that he assist in lifting fingerprints from the cable covers which were removed from the scene. Mosley advised that no prints of any value were obtained from the covers. He stated that his department conducted no investigation of the cable cutting in the Cleveland area upon the request of the SCBTC officials.

On July 29, 1971, [] employee of the SCBTC denied any knowledge of the cable cutting incident and claimed he had no idea of the identities of the persons responsible for the vandalism.

On July 30, 1971, [] and [] both employees of SCBTC advised that they had nothing to do with the cable cutting incident and claimed that they knew of no one responsible for the incident.

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1 - Mr. Adams

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TO: SAC, Jackson

FROM: Director, FBI

UNSUBS;

CUTTING OF TELEPHONE CABLES LEASED

BY U. S. POST OFFICE,

SELECTIVE SERVICE System

RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI;

SENATOR JAMES O. EASTLAND,

DODDSVILLE AND RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

AR - IGCS

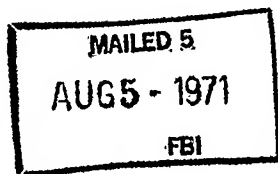
Form 0-1 dated 7/26/71, was returned by your office advising airtel would be submitted by 7/30/71. Such airtel has not been processed at Bureau to date.

Bureau desires full facts of complaints in these matters involving recent strike by Communication Workers Union be furnished promptly by LHM under cover of airtel. Results of any investigation conducted thereafter must be submitted in form suitable for dissemination. In view of nature of this matter, original LHM should be submitted under cover of airtel without delay and any future communications should be submitted on a prompt basis.

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Callahan _____
Casper _____
Conrad _____
Dalbey _____
Gale _____
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Holmes _____
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For the information of the Bureau, separate AR; IGCS matters were opened on the Social Security Office at Hattiesburg, Miss., and the FAA, Madison County Airport, Madison Co., Miss.

[] advised that telephone number 756-2511, subscribed to by the U. S. Post Office, Ruleville, Miss., cable 1, pair 53, was cut in three different locations; telephone number 756-4646, subscribed to by the U. S. Government, Selective Service, Ruleville, Miss., cable 1, pair 56, was cut in two or three places; telephone number 756-4355, subscribed to by Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND at his residence, Doddsville, Miss., cable 1, pair 8, was cut at least twice, once in Ruleville and once in Doddsville; and telephone number 756-4766, subscribed to by the office of Senator EASTLAND in Ruleville, Miss., cable 1, pair 77. b6
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[] advised that in these four instances at Ruleville, Miss., where the FBI has an interest, [] South Central Bell Telephone Company, Cleveland, Miss., telephone number 843-9014, has evidence and photographs of the cut cables as does [] the company's representative in Greenville, Miss.

[] advised that [] Cleveland, Miss., [] has a number of suspects who he believes to be involved in these cable cuttings and that these individuals are striking employees. b6
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[] advised that [] W/M SSAN [] employed since April, 1965, residing at [] Miss., was arrested on a state statute for interruption of telephone services after he had thrown a log chain on a telephone line interrupting service between Memphis and New Orleans on 7/15/71. [] advised [] made bond on the charge and it is anticipated that the telephone company will fire him 7/21/71. [] advised that [] was an installation repairman with the company. [] advised that [] was interviewed by representatives of his office and it

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was felt that [] did not furnish full details re his participation as well as other striking employees in the cutting of telephone cables in and around Ruleville, Miss., involving those leased by Federal offices.

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[] advised that his investigation has determined that other striking employees involved with [] are:

[]

White male

SSAN []

Employed since 2/52

P. O. Box 194

[] Miss.

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White male

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White male

SSAN []

Employed since 7/68

[]

(FNU) []

Additional information can be obtained from []

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LEADS:

JACKSON

AT CLEVELAND (BOLIVAR COUNTY), AND RULEVILLE (SUNFLOWER COUNTY), MISSISSIPPI

1. Will contact USA, Oxford, to determine if he desires investigation in this matter for possible violation of Title 18, USC, Section 1362.

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2. If USA feels investigation warranted, will contact aforementioned representatives of South Central Bell Telephone Company for further information re suspects and collect evidence and photographs they have gathered re captioned matter.

3. Will, thereafter, interview re his participation as well as others in cutting of cables, specifically those used by Federal agencies, Ruleville, Miss.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (92-348) (P)

"CHANGED"

UNSUBS;
CUTTING OF TELEPHONE
CABLES LEASED BY
U. S. POST OFFICE,
SELECTIVE SERVICE,
RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI,
AR; INTERFERENCE WITH GOVERNMENT
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (IGCS)

Title marked "changed" to include only the cut telephone lines leased by U. S. Government. Title previously included Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND, Doddsville and Ruleville, Mississippi.

Re Jackson airtel to Bureau dated 7/21/71.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM reflecting investigation conducted to date. Also enclosed is one copy of LHM for the USA, Oxford, Mississippi.

LEADS:

JACKSON DIVISION

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2cc RAO CRIM. DIV. BY O-6D
1cc LABOR DESK, TICKLER

8-9-71, JSC/pj

Approved: RKM
Special Agent in Charge

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AT CLEVELAND (BOLIVAR COUNTY), MISSISSIPPI

Will maintain contact with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for any information re the cabel cutting incident.

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2. Will locate and interview [REDACTED]

Box 47, [REDACTED] re any information he may have of the
cabel cutting incident at Ruleville, Miss.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Jackson, Mississippi 39205

August 2, 1971

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

UNSUBS;
CUTTING OF TELEPHONE
CABLES LEASED BY
U. S. POST OFFICE,
SELECTIVE SERVICE,
RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI,

Ruleville, Mississippi, is a small town of approximately 2500 persons, located in Sunflower County in the rural Delta area of western Mississippi.

On July 22, 1971, Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] Northern District of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi, advised that if any leased Government lines were cut in violation of Title 18, Section 1362, United States Code, he would authorize prosecution.

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On July 29, 1971, [redacted] South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC), Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that his files reflected that pair 53, cable 1, (phone number 756-2511 United States Government Post Office), and pair 56, cable 1 (phone number 756-4646, United States Government Selective Service) were leased by the United States Government. He stated that the cable was cut in three places. He advised that pair 53 and pair 56 are the only leased lines cut. [redacted] stated that his company had investigated the incident and that the case number is 204-12. He advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] and [redacted] all Bell Telephone repairmen are good suspects in the cable cutting incident at Ruleville, Mississippi. [redacted] stated that it appeared that the

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ENCLOSURE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE JACKSON	OFFICE OF ORIGIN JACKSON	DATE 9/27/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/29-9/23/71
TITLE OF CASE UNSUBS; CUTTING OF TELEPHONE CABLES LEASED BY U. S. POST OFFICE, SELECTIVE SERVICE, RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY vhb b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR - IGCS	

REFERENCES:

Jackson airtel to Bureau dated 7/21/71.
 Jackson airtel to Bureau dated 8/2/71.
 Bureau airtel to Jackson dated 8/5/71

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LEADS:**JACKSON DIVISION****AT GREENVILLE (WASHINGTON COUNTY), MISSISSIPPI**

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
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APPROVED <i>RAK/M/RA</i>						SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE			
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						92-12689-4			REC-47
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Dissemination Record of Attached Report						Notations <i>RAK</i> NINE STAT SECT.			
Agency	cc RAO CRIM. DIV.								
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Will present matter to AUSA, Oxford, Miss., for
prosecutive opinion.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Oxford, Mississippi

Report of:

SA [REDACTED]

Office: Jackson

Date:

September 27, 1971

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Field Office File #:

Jackson 92-348

Bureau File #:

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
CUTTING OF TELEPHONE CABLES
LEASED BY U. S. POST OFFICE,
SELECTIVE SERVICE,
RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI;
SENATOR JAMES O. EASTLAND,
DODDSVILLE AND RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

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Character:

ANTI-RACKETEERING - INTERFERENCE WITH GOVERNMENT
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Synopsis:

South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC),
Jackson, Miss., advised as result of CWA strike
involving their employees telephone lines serving
Selective Service, Ruleville, Miss., and those of
office and residence of Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND,
Ruleville and Doddsville, Miss., were cut. AUSA,
Oxford, advised if any leased Government lines cut,
violation of Title 18, USC, Section 1362 exists.

[REDACTED] advised that he has no evidence on
any of the SCBTC employees. [REDACTED]

advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] are good suspects in the
cable cutting incident. CHARLES MOSLEY, Chief of
Police, advised that his department conducted no
investigation. [REDACTED] stated that his
investigation indicated that the telephone cables
were cut approximately 11:30 p.m. on July 15, 1971.

[REDACTED] stated that he does not believe in
destroying property of the company he works for.

[REDACTED] emphatically denied that he
had anything to do with the cable cutting incident
in Ruleville, Miss. [REDACTED] stated that he

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was not involved in the cable cutting incident and that if he planned to cut cables he would not do it in Ruleville, Miss., since he would be a suspect. [redacted] denied any knowledge of the cable cutting incident. [redacted]

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[redacted] denied any knowledge of the cable cutting incident. [redacted] stated that he has received no evidence of any kind which would involve any of the SCBTC employees at his office in Cleveland, Mississippi. MISS

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DETAILS:

On July 20, 1971, [redacted] State Security Officer, South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC), Jackson, Mississippi, advised that as a result of the Communication Workers of America (CWA) strike involving employees of the SCBTC, Jackson, Mississippi, there have been 28 instances of sabotage performed against the telephone company throughout Mississippi from July 14, 1971, to July 16, 1971.

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[redacted] advised that of these 28 instances there were only six agencies of the U. S. Government involved in having their telephone lines damaged or cut, these being the Social Security Office at Hattiesburg, Mississippi; the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) at the Madison County Airport, Madison County, Mississippi; the U. S. Post Office and Selective Service as well as the office of Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND in Ruleville, Mississippi, and the residence of Senator EASTLAND in Doddsville, Mississippi.

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Senator JAMES O. EASTLAND at his residence, Doddsville, Mississippi, cable 1, pair 8, was cut at least twice, once in Ruleville and once in Doddsville; and telephone number 756-4766, subscribed to by the office of Senator EASTLAND in Ruleville, Mississippi, cable 1, pair 77.

[redacted] advised that in these four instances at Ruleville, Mississippi, where the FBI has an interest, [redacted] SCBTC, Cleveland, Mississippi, telephone number 843-9014, has evidence and photographs of the cut cables as does [redacted] the company's representative in Greenville, Mississippi.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] Cleveland, Mississippi, [redacted] has a number of suspects he believes to be involved in these cable cuttings and that these individuals are striking employees.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] white male, Social Security Account Number [redacted] employed since April, 1965, residing at [redacted] Mississippi, was arrested on a state statute for interruption of telephone services after he had thrown a log chain on a telephone line interrupting service between Memphis and New Orleans on July 15, 1971. [redacted] advised [redacted] made bond on the charge and it is anticipated that the telephone company will fire him July 21, 1971. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was an installation repairman with the company. [redacted] advised that [redacted] was interviewed by representatives of his office and it was felt that [redacted] did not furnish full details regarding his participation as well as other striking employees in the cutting of telephone cables in and around Ruleville, Mississippi, involving those leased by Federal offices.

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On July 22, 1971, Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] Northern District of Mississippi, Oxford,

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Mississippi, advised that if any leased Government telephone lines were cut, a violation of Title 18, Section 1362, United States Code, exists.

On July 22, 1971, investigation at Ruleville, Mississippi, reflects that several of the telephone cables were cut during the recent strike. FREDDIE GRANT, Chief of Police, Ruleville, Mississippi, advised that no suspects have been developed in the vandalism of the cables. GRANT stated that Ruleville telephone service is served from Cleveland, Mississippi, and that the telephone officials are from Cleveland, Mississippi.

On July 26, 1971, [] SCBTC official at Ruleville, Mississippi, advised that he knows of no suspects developed in the recent vandalism of South Central Bell Telephone equipment in the Ruleville, Mississippi, area. He stated that the officials should be contacted in Cleveland, Mississippi, to ascertain the latest development in their investigation.

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On July 29, 1971, [redacted] SCBTC, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that the United States Government leased lines on cable 1 were cut in three different places approximately five feet to six feet from the ground. He stated that it appeared that an ax or some sharp instrument was used in severing the cable. [redacted] stated that this incident occurred at the intersection of Shaw, Del Mar, and Harrison Streets in Ruleville, Mississippi, and that this is the only incident involving United States Government leased lines.

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On July 30, 1971, CHARLES MOSLEY, Chief of Police, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that the SCBTC officials requested that the Bell Telephone Agents would conduct the investigation of the cable cutting. He stated that the officials requested that he assist in lifting fingerprints from the cable

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covers which were removed from the scene. MOSLEY advised that no prints of any value were obtained from the covers. He stated that his department conducted no investigation of the cable cutting in the Cleveland area upon the request of the SCBTC officials.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 8/4/71

[redacted] State Security Officer, South Central Bell Telephone Company, Jackson, Mississippi, furnished the following photographs, which reflect the date taken, all involving damage to South Central Bell property in and around the Ruleville, Mississippi, area:

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- A) Five photographs reflecting damage to 100-pair cable, pedestal number 514, Delmar Street, Ruleville, Mississippi, July 17, 1971;
- B) Seven photographs reflecting damage to 100-pair underground cable in pedestal number 601, Delmar Street, Ruleville, Mississippi, July 17, 1971;
- C) Seven photographs reflecting damage to two rural circuits cut at the pedestal of "B-33," on a rural road southeast of Ruleville, Mississippi, July 19, 1971;
- D) Five photographs reflecting 18 inches of cable missing from cut of 50-pair cable, northwest corner Ruby Street and Highway 8, Ruleville, Mississippi, July 17, 1971;
- E) Three photographs reflecting cable cut at intersection of Highway 442 and Illinois Central Railroad, Doddsville, Mississippi (Ruleville Exchange).

Interviewed on 7/29/71 at Jackson, Mississippi File # Jackson 92-348

by SA [redacted] mif 7 Date dictated 7/30/71

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[redacted] South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC) advised the following:

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[redacted] stated that the United States Government leased lines on cable one which were cut in three different places approximately five feet to six feet from the ground. He stated that it appears that an ax or some sharp instrument was used in severing the cable. [redacted] stated that this incident occurred at the intersection of Shaw, Del Mar and Harrison Streets in Ruleville, Mississippi, and that this is the only incident involving United States Government leased lines.

[redacted] stated that it appeared that more than one person was involved in the cable cutting incident and that SCBTC had numerous cable cutting incidents in a three county area. He stated that he has no evidence on any of the SCBTC employees. He stated that he requested Chief CHARLES MOSLEY of Cleveland, Mississippi Police Department to lift some fingerprints from some of the equipment recovered from the scenes where the cable cutting took place.

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[redacted] stated that he could furnish no further information.

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by SA [redacted] 8
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Date of transcription 8/10/711

[redacted] South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC) furnished the following information:

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[redacted] stated that his company had investigated the incident and that the case number is 204-12. He advised that [redacted] and [redacted] all Bell Telephone Repairmen, are good suspects in the cable cutting incident at Ruleville, Mississippi. [redacted] stated that it appeared that the incident occurred approximately 11:30 PM on July 15, 1971. He further advised that he knows of no one by the name of [redacted]

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by SA [redacted] SA [redacted] 9 HJL:sh Date dictated 8/4/71

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CHARLES MOSLEY, Chief of Police, Cleveland, Mississippi, advised that he attempted to lift fingerprints from the equipment furnished to him by the South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC). He stated that the fingerprints found were smudges and of no value.

MOSLEY stated that his department conducted no investigation of the cable cutting incidents in the Cleveland, Mississippi, area.

MOSLEY advised that he has no knowledge of the identities of the people responsible for vandalism but that if any information came to his attention, he would notify the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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by SA 10
SA HJL:sh Date dictated 8/4/71

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 8/10/71

[redacted] South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC) advised the following information:

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[redacted] stated that an investigation conducted by him indicated that the telephone cables in Ruleville, Mississippi, appeared to have been cut approximately 11:30 PM July 15, 1971. His inspection in Ruleville at approximately 9:00 AM July 16, 1971, disclosed numerous cuttings of telephone cables.

[redacted] stated that these cuttings primarily, because of their location, would have to have been cut by someone who knew what he was doing. [redacted] advised that in his opinion, [redacted] would be prime suspects because they are cable repairmen; who are assigned job duties in Ruleville, Mississippi, and both possess requisite knowledge. [redacted] advised that [redacted] who is an installation repairman, and [redacted] who is a telephone repairman, work in Ruleville, Mississippi everyday with knowledge of Ruleville cables and is further at the center of each management versus CRAFT dispute. Both are considered by him to be prime suspects inasmuch as they possess the requisite knowledge.

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[redacted] advised that the telephone company vehicles were accounted for on July 15 and July 16, 1971.

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[redacted] Telephone Installer, South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC) 632 North Bayou Road, Cleveland, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and that investigation was being conducted concerning a cable cutting incident which occurred in Ruleville, Mississippi, on July 15, 1971. [redacted] was advised of his rights by SA [redacted] and he waived his rights by signing the Warning and Waiver form.

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[redacted] stated that he works in Ruleville, Mississippi, most of the time for SCBTC and that he knows the area well. He stated he was not involved with the cable cutting and knows of no one who was. He stated that if he planned to cut cables, he would not do it in the Ruleville, Mississippi, area, since he would be a number one suspect. He advised that he has heard no conversation reference the cable cutting among the SCBTC employees.

[redacted] stated that he was working on the picket line on the evening of July 15, 1971, and July 16, 1971. He stated that he had no objection of being fingerprinted.

The following is a physical description taken during the interview:

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Name
Date of birth
Place of birth
Height 5'11½"
Eyes Green
Hair Brown
Weight 155
Address

Social Security #

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Mississippi Driver's License
Arrest record

Claimed none

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Date of transcription 8/10/71

[redacted] Cable Repairman, South Central Bell Telephone Company, (SCBTC), P. O. Box 194, Boyle, Mississippi, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and that an investigation was being conducted in the cutting of cables in Ruleville, Mississippi. [redacted] was advised of his rights by SA [redacted] and he waived these rights by signing the Warning and Waiver form.

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[redacted] stated that he is a cable repairman working for SCBTC and knows the Ruleville, Mississippi, area well. He stated that he does not know anything about the cutting of the cables and knows of no one responsible for the incident. He stated that he does not believe in destroying property of the company he works for. [redacted] stated that he has heard nothing from any of the SCBTC employees that would make him suspicious that one of them is responsible for the cable-cutting incident.

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[redacted] stated that he was walking the picket line on the evening of July 15, 1971, and that after he finished at the picket line, he went straight home and did not leave the Cleveland, Mississippi, area. He stated that he could not give a personal opinion as to the identity of the people responsible for the vandalism.

The following is a physical description taken during the interview:

Name
Date of birth
Place of birth

Height
Weight
Eyes
Hair

[redacted]
5'10½"
190
Blue
Black

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Occupation

Cable Repairman
SCBTC

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Date of transcription 8/9/71

[redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and that investigation was being conducted in the cable-cutting incident in Ruleville, Mississippi. [redacted] was advised of his rights by SA [redacted] and he waived his rights by signing the Warning and Waiver Form.

[redacted] advised that he is a cable repairman for South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC) and works out of the Cleveland, Mississippi, office. He stated that he works in any area where cables need repairing. He advised that he has worked in Ruleville, Doddsville, Rosedale, and Shelby, Mississippi, many times and knows these areas very well.

[redacted] emphatically denied that he had anything to do with the cable cutting incident in Ruleville, Mississippi, which involved the leased government lines. He stated that he had no idea who cut the cables and has heard no conversation among the SCBTC employees which would indicate that one of the employees is responsible. He did admit throwing a chain on the open lines between Shaw and Cleveland, Mississippi. He stated that the chain caused the lines to short-out but other than that no damage occurred.

The following is a physical description taken during the interview:

Name	[redacted]
Date of birth	[redacted]
Place of birth	[redacted]
Height	5'4"
Weight	142
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Reddish Brown
Address	[redacted]

Occupation Cable repairman

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by SA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

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HJL:sh

Date dictated 8/4/71

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/27/71

[] furnished the following voluntary statement:

[] advised that he had worked for the South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC), Cleveland, Mississippi, for []. He stated that he knows nothing about the cable cutting incident during the strike in July of 1971. He stated that he does not associate with any of the people who work for SCBTC and that he never attended any of the union meetings when he worked for the company.

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[] advised that he could give no information that would lead to the conviction of the people responsible for the cable cutting incident. He stated that if he did have information he would gladly furnish the proper authorities with what he had.

[] stated that he could furnish no further information regarding the cable cutting incident.

The following is a physical description taken during the interview:

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Name	[]
Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	[]
Place of Birth	[]
Height	5' 7"
Weight	170 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Blue
Education	Twelfth grade
Address	[]

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by SA [] /vhb Date dictated 9/24/71

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Date of transcription 9/27/71

[redacted] furnished the following voluntary information:

[redacted] stated that he was not involved in any cable cutting incident or any destruction of South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC) property. He advised that he enjoys his work and has no inclination to destroy the property of the company he works for. He stated that he has heard nothing that would lead to the conviction of the people responsible for the destruction of the telephone company property.

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[redacted] stated that if he had information that would lead to the conviction of the people responsible for the destruction of the cables in Ruleville, Mississippi, and other areas, he would gladly furnish this information to the proper authorities. He stated that he does not have any knowledge that would solve the cable cutting incident.

[redacted] stated that he has no hard feelings with any of the foreman or the plant manager. He stated that he thinks very highly of [redacted]

The following is a physical description taken during the interview:

Name	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Height	6' 1½"
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Weight	173 pounds
Education	Three years of college, Mississippi State University
Address	[redacted]

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Interviewed on 9/23/71 at Cleveland, Mississippi File # Jackson 92-348

by SA [redacted] /vhb 18 Date dictated 9/24/71

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On September 23, 1971, [REDACTED]
of SCBTC, Cleveland, Mississippi, stated that he has received
no evidence of any kind which would involve any of the SCBTC
employees at his office in Cleveland, Mississippi.

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REPORTING OFFICE JACKSON	OFFICE OF ORIGIN JACKSON	DATE 10/28/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/18/71
TITLE OF CASE UNSUBS; CUTTING OF TELEPHONE CABLES LEASED BY U. S. POST OFFICE, SELECTIVE SERVICE RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY lcs ^{b6} _{b7C}
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR - IGCS	

REFERENCES:

Jackson. Report of SA dated 9/27/71, at

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
APPROVED <i>EKPB</i>						SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		
COPIES MADE:						DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW		
(2) - Bureau 1 - USA, Oxford 1 - Jackson (92-348)						92-12689-5		REC-14
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Dissemination Record of Attached Report						Notations		
Agency	1cc RAO CRIM. DIV.					<i>J.R. Adams</i> <i>NOTE - FAX - APK</i> <i>STAT SECT.</i>		
Request Recd.								
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Report of:
Date:

SA [REDACTED]

OCTOBER 28, 1971

Office: JACKSON

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Field Office File #: JN 92-348

Bureau File #:

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
CUTTING OF TELEPHONE CABLES LEASED BY
UNITED STATES POST OFFICE, SELECTIVE SERVICE,
RULEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING - INTERFERENCE WITH GOVERNMENT
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Synopsis: On 10/18/71, AUSA declined prosecution in view of
insufficient evidence to identify the persons respon-
sible for the incident.

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DETAILS:

On July 20, 1971, [REDACTED] State
Security Office, South Central Bell Telephone Company (SCBTC),
Jackson, Mississippi, advised that as a result of the
Communication Workers of America (CWA), strike involving
employees of the SCBTC, Jackson, Mississippi, there have been
28 incidences of sabotage performed against the telephone
company throughout Mississippi from July 14, 1971, to
July 16, 1971.

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On October 18, 1971, [REDACTED]
Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of
Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi, advised that he was declining
prosecution since all logical leads have been covered and
no evidence exists to identify the persons responsible for
the cable cutting.

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